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CIVIL AVIATION

**The Air Navigation (Restriction of Flying) (Birmingham)
Regulations 2023**

Made - - - - *3rd April 2023*

Coming into force - - *27th May 2023*

The Secretary of State has decided that it is necessary in the public interest to restrict the flying of unmanned aircraft in the area specified in regulation 3(1) by reason of the intended holding there of Birmingham Pride.

The Secretary of State makes the following Regulations in exercise of the powers conferred by article 239 of the Air Navigation Order 2016(a).

Citation and commencement

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Air Navigation (Restriction of Flying) (Birmingham) Regulations 2023 and they come into force on 27th May 2023.

Interpretation

2. In regulation 3(1) the times referred to are Co-ordinated Universal Time(b).

Restricted airspace

3.—(1) Subject to paragraph (2), between 0600 hours on 27th May 2023 and 2300 hours on 28th May 2023 no unmanned aircraft is to fly below 900 feet above mean sea level within the area bounded by a circle having a radius of 0.8 nautical mile centred at 522835N 0015347W.

(2) Paragraph (1) does not apply to any unmanned aircraft flying in accordance with a permission issued by the West Midlands Police Service.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Transport

3rd April 2023

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Department for Transport

(a) S.I. 2016/765, to which there are amendments not relevant to these Regulations.
(b) Co-ordinated Universal Time (UTC) is one hour behind British Summer Time (BST).

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations impose restrictions on the flying of unmanned aircraft in the vicinity of Birmingham City Centre during Birmingham Pride that is scheduled to take place there on 27th May 2023 and 28th May 2023.

In view of the high visibility of this event and at the request of the West Midlands Police Service, the Civil Aviation Authority and Department for Transport agree that the flying of unmanned aircraft should be restricted in the vicinity of the event for reasons of public safety and security.

The times mentioned in regulation 3(1) are Co-ordinated Universal Time (UTC) which is one hour behind British Summer Time (BST).

In relation to the permission mentioned in regulation 3(2), the West Midlands Police Service may be contacted on telephone number 07387 097782 (West Midlands Police Inspector) or on telephone number 07778 470310 (West Midlands Police Sergeant).

Full details of this Statutory Instrument will be promulgated by Briefing Sheet and Notice to Aviation (NOTAM).

The point of contact in the Civil Aviation Authority is Mr David Ridley, Airspace Regulator, Safety and Airspace Regulation Group, on telephone number 03301 382471.